



PUGET SOUNDKEEPER ALLIANCE

Protecting & Enhancing Puget Sound

October 16, 2000

Cindy Colgate
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Dear Cindy:

On behalf of the members of the Puget Soundkeeper Alliance, I submit the following comments in response to the Administrative Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study and the draft Lower Duwamish Waterway Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Statement of Work. These comments are in addition to the comments we submitted as a member of the Lower Duwamish Community Advisory Committee.

Page 5 of the Lower Duwamish Waterway Site flyer dated August 2000, states that the Department of Ecology and EPA are developing a public participation plan, which will be available for public review. Unfortunately, the public participation process, with the release of the Administrative Order on Consent and Statement of Work, has already begun without a plan in place.

I urge the agencies to develop this public participation plan as quickly as possible. Most of us were just invited to join in this conversation and need to understand why we were invited, what the conversation is about, who can we talk to, who is listening, and how what we say will be used to help clean up the Duwamish River.

Sincerely,

Sue Joerger
Puget Soundkeeper

